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PATENT APPLICATION

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In re the Application of

Alain BETHUNE

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Application No.: 09/688,961

Examiner: J. Lorengo

Filed: October 17, 2000

Docket No.: 107615

For: METHOD OF HOT MARKING, AND A MULTILAYER STRUCTURE FOR  
IMPLEMENTING SUCH A METHOD

AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In reply to the June 9, 2003 Office Action, please consider the following:

**Amendments to the Claims** as reflected in the listing of claims; and

**Remarks.**

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Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an Amendment in the above-identified application.

- ☐ Entitlement to small entity status is hereby asserted.  
☒ Small entity status of this application has been established.

The filing fee has been calculated as shown below:

(Column 1)		(Column 2)	(Column 3)	SMALL ENTITY		OR	OTHER THAN A SMALL ENTITY	
	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT	HIGHEST NO. PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	PRESENT EXTRA	RATE	ADD'L FEE		RATE	ADD'L FEE
TOTAL CLAIMS	*42 MINUS	**40	=2	x 9	\$	OR	x 18	\$36
INDEP CLAIMS	*4 MINUS	***4	=0	x 43	\$		x 86	\$
<input type="checkbox"/> FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEP. CLAIM				+ 145	\$	OR	+290	\$
					\$			\$36

\* If the entry in Column 1 is less than the entry in Column 2, write "0" in Column 3.

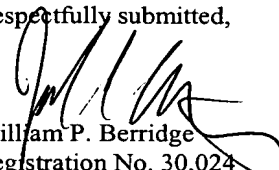
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The "Highest Number Previously Paid For" in this space (Total or Independent) is the highest number found from the equivalent box in Column 1 of a prior Amendment or the number of claims originally filed.

- ☒ Check No. 147228 in the amount of \$36 is attached. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any other fees that may be required to complete this filing, or to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 15-0461. Two duplicate copies of this sheet are attached.

Respectfully submitted,

  
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